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Introduction

As further proof that Murphy's Laws are valid, about three days after the abbreviated newsletter was sent, my missing file arrived in the mail. The information included in this issue is the customary fare of material available, personnel changes, Federal Register updates, and miscellaneous information.

FY 1987 Budget Resolution

Prior to adjourning for the July 4 recess, the Congress passed a budget resolution for FY 1987. This resolution is a non-binding guide for tax and spending decisions to be used as a framework by Congress as it continues its budget process. The resolution meets the \$144 billion deficit target set by last year's Gramm-Rudman-Hollings legislation.

According to our sources, the approved resolution provides for the current funding level of \$328 million for the Extension Service be maintained in FY 1987. Final appropriated levels are, of course, determined by the House and Senate Appropriation Committees. We will keep you informed of further developments.

Source: Extension Service Update; Current Developments; June 27, 1986.

Federal Register

1) Bird Quarantine Facilities

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) proposes to amend regulations concerning the importation of birds into the U.S. They are extending the time period allowed for certain applicants selected for consideration for approval of privately-operated bird quarantine facilities in Miami, Florida. This was done so they may establish facilities that meet the standards of approval. The deadline for comments is July 21, 1986. For further information, contact:

Dr. Samuel S. Richeson
Import-Export Animals and Products Staff
VS, APHIS, USDA
Room 843 Federal Building
6505 Belcrest Road
Hyattsville, MD 20782
301/436-8172

4) Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)

Memoranda issued by the Standards and Labeling Division (SLD), of FSIS are being made available to the public. These memoranda contain significant new applications or interpretations of the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry Products Inspection Act, or other policy concerning labeling. The number and topics of information relating to poultry are: 081A - Marination Procedures; 018A - Weight/Stuffed Poultry; 070A - Fat and Lean Guidelines; 017A - Lite and Similar Terms; 095 - Colored Casings-Labeling. For more information, contact:

Margaret O.K. Glavin, Director
Standards and Labeling Division
Meat and Poultry Inspection Technical Services
Food Safety and Inspection Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Washington, DC 20250
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Source: Federal Register, Vol. 51, No.88; Wednesday, May 7, 1986; page 16878.

~~Secret Project~~ The amount of market demand for capon has increased over the past few years. This gives 4-Her's an opportunity to earn net income of several dollars per bird if they are good managers, but may lose that much if they are poor managers, according to Herb Jordan at Pennsylvania State University. Herb has offered to send interested 4-H leaders or other personnel his packet of capon information. Other specialists may have material they would like to share with 4-H leaders in other states. If so, contact me and I will put an announcement in the newsletter.

Recruiting

Wisconsin

The Poultry Science Department has an 8 1/2" X 11" tri-fold leaflet that concisely describes course options, potential areas of employment, and their department. The leaflet also includes a form that may be sent to the department to request various types of information. This recruiting tool is inexpensive and potentially effective. For more information, contact Art Maurer, as listed in your directory

A New Journal


Applied Agricultural Research

This information is included for those that may have missed the announcement. Applied Agricultural Research publishes articles and brief research reports on the production and protection of crops, livestock, poultry and horticultural products. The scope of the journal also includes the management of soil and water resources, rangeland and forests, as well as resource economics, agricultural safety, computer applications and methods of technology transfer.

Dr. Orville G. Bentley, Assistant Secretary for Science and Education, said that Dr. Greenwood had requested to be relieved of her administrative responsibilities because of health factors. She will become an assistant to the administrator.

Dr. Greenwood has served as administrator since 1980. She joined USDA in 1978. A native of Missouri, she served as director of Extension Programs at the University of Missouri before coming to Washington. Dr. Johnsrud has headed the North Dakota Cooperative Extension Service since 1974. Prior to moving to North Dakota, he was director of staff development for the Extension Service in Washington.

Source: USDA News Release

 To better reflect assigned responsibilities, the Statistical Reporting Service (SRS) is renamed the ~~National Agricultural Statistics Service~~ and the Crop Reporting Board is renamed the Agricultural Statistics Board (ASB), effective immediately, according to Secretary's Memorandum 1020-24, April 17, 1986.

Source: Extension Service Update; Current Developments; May 2, 1986.

Overseas Assignments

There have been as many as 60 overseas assignments listed on the International Assignments and Projects (IAP) Bulletin Board on DIALCOM electronic mail system. Assignments are available in areas such as training, staff development, nutrition, and agriculture.

To access the IAP Bulletin Board, simply enter DIALCOM, type MENU at the systems level, select "JOBS" from the main menu, then select "IAP" from the sub-menu. You may search on any keyword or hit RETURN to scan all titles of available assignments. For more information about the IAP Bulletin Board, contact: Carol Hammaker, USDA-ES, Room 332-A, Admin. Bldg., 14th & Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250; telephone (202) 447-3801; electronic mailbox AGS053.

Honors

1) Milt Sunde

The Wisconsin County Agents Association recognized Milton L. Sunde with their "Second Mile Award" for exceptional service to Cooperative Extension programs on April 10, 1986. This award recognizes individual extension activities in excess of the expected contribution to extension. Since 1949, Dr. Sunde has given continuous service to the poultry industry of Wisconsin.


Source: modified from announcement in Hatch, A Monthly Letter of Ideas, produced by the University of Wisconsin Department of Poultry Science.

Agriculture and the world; Careers; and, Major policy issues. The Ag in the Classroom program is carried out primarily in each state by a group composed of representatives from farm organizations and agribusiness groups, educators and government officials. Each state is responsible for developing its own program. State groups may operate in different ways, depending on specific needs and interests.

USDA'S function is to support these state groups. Specifically, the Department's role is to:

1) Help states develop effective Ag in the Classroom programs; 2) Serve as the central point for exchange of materials and information among the state programs; 3) Encourage USDA agencies to assist in local Ag in the Classroom activities; 4) Help the state groups assess their efforts to increase agricultural literacy within each state; and 5) Work closely with national organizations to promote the goal of Ag in the Classroom. For further information, contact:

Shirley Traxler, Director
Ag in the Classroom
Room 232-W, USDA
Washington, DC 20250
202/447-5727

 Tom Tate, NPL for Interactive Video, has indicated that another demonstration disc (Image Disc II) is being planned. If you have slide sets with scripts, with or without audio tapes; films; or video tapes that you would like to share via this media, please send them to me. We will inventory and assess your slide sets and video/segments for potential use in this and future video discs. I will return your material when the project is completed.

Enclosures

1) Feed Additives Cleared for Use in Game Birds

This information has been provided by Owen Keene, who said that you should contact him when you need more copies.

2) Producing Rabbits Without Harmful Residues

Herb Jordan has requested I notify you that Pennsylvania is reprinting this leaflet. If you need free copies for your rabbit meat producers, you need to contact Herb before August 1.

3) The directory has been modified to reflect changes in telephone numbers, addresses, and personnel changes. A valid criticism is that the directory has never had a column for personnel working in management. Please send me your ideas on how the directory may be improved, and with each update we will attempt to make it more useful for you.

